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SUBJECT: ADMINISTRATION INITIATIVE ON MARINE OIL POLLUTION

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- 1. EMBOFF RAISED COAST GUARD NPRMS WITH KUWAITI IMCO REPRESENTATIVE, CAPT. NUMAIR NAQIB, AND HE INDICATED AN UNDERSTANDING OF USG PROCEDURES REGARDING THEM. HE ADDED THAT, IN LIGHT OF EARLIER DISCUSSION WITH EMBOFF, PRESIDENT CARTER'S STATEMENT OF MARCH 17 ON INITIATIVES TO CONTROL MARINE OIL POLLUTION, AND DISCUSSION AT LAST WEEK'S NAIROBI UNEP MEETING ON MARINE ENVIRONMENT, HE WOULD PROBABLY BE WRITING UP A GENERAL STATEMENT OF THE GOK'S VIEWS OF BOTH THE USG'S OWN INITIATIVES AND SOME CURRENT IMCO ISSUES IN WHICH THE USG IS INTERESTED. THIS STATEMENT WOULD BE CONVEYED TO EMBASSY.
- 2. NAQIB GAVE THE IMPRESSION THAT THE LEADING ISSUE CURRENTLY CONCERNING THE KUWAITIS IS THE QUESTION OF DOUBLE BOTTOM TANKERS, WHICH HE PERSONNALY THOUGHT WOULD BE DIFFICULT FOR KUWAIT TO AGREE TO, EVEN FOR NEW SHIP CONSTRUCTION, BECAUSE LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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OF THE SHALLOWNESS OF KUWAITI OIL PORTS, THE DEEPER WATER WHICH DOUBLE BOTTOM SHIPS REQUIRE, AND THE EXPENSE OF DEEPENING KUWAITI PORTS.

3. REQUEST DEPARTMENT POUCH NPRMS FOR DISCUSSION WITH LOCAL TANKER OPERATORS.
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